Meeting notes

Meeting between Cabinet Timmermans and Bayer AG on sustainable food systems

Participants	Visitors delegation:
	- Bayer AG
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	COM:
	Lukas Visek – CAB Timmermans
	- SG D2
	- CAB Timmermans
Issues raised & follow-up	
	Bayer expressed their support to Commision's work on new genomic techniques and emphasised the need for labelling and sustainability traits, where they called for full transparency.
	Bayer voiced concern for potential delays to the potential proposal on NGT, as this could impact the European market significantly.
	The potential of NGTs and the acceptability of these new techniques by the final consumer were also discussed.
	Bayer also commented on the sustainable use of pesticides proposal. They informed about very promising developments of alternatives to chemical pesticides.
	Other aspects discussed included the importance of the involvement of small farms in precision farming.
Note taker	